IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL APPLICATION NO. 389 OF 2006

Tushar Pandurang Talegaonkar... ... Applicant.

Versus

The State of Maharashtra. .... Respondent.

-: ALONG WITH :-

CRIMINAL APPLICATION NO. 390 OF 2006

Ramesh Pandit Kadam.... ... ... Applicant.

Versus

The State of Maharashtra. .... Respondent.

Mr. M. V. Deshmukh for the Applicants.

Mr. Y. S. Shinde, APP for the State.

CORAM : V. M. KANADE, J.

DATED : 23RD FEBRUARY, 2006.

P.C.:

Heard learned Counsel for the Applicants and the learned APP for the State.

2. The Applicants have an apprehension that they are likely to be arrested in connection with an offence punishable under Sections 167, 464, 468, 420, 471 and

474 r/w 34 of the Indian Penal Code vide C. R. No. 218 of 2005 registered with Yavat Police Station.

3. The Applicant in Criminal Application No. 389 of 2006 was working as a Jr. Clerk at the Pune Collector Office and the Applicant in Criminal Application No. 390 of 2006 was working as Talathi. A complaint was filed by one Kalyanrao Pandhare on 16th December, 2005. The said complainant was working as a Tahsildar at the relevant time and he took inspection of the various revenue registers from the period between 1950 to December, 2005 and after examining all these registers came to the conclusion that certain documents were forged and alterations have been made in the revenue record. In the complaint, he has stated that some time before 16th December, 2005 the alleged offence of fabrication and forgery was committed and therefore names of the present Applicants and others were mentioned in the complaint as being persons likely to be responsible for the commission of the said offence. Considering the nature of the complaint and the vague allegations which are made against the present Applicants, the prima facie case is made out for grant of anticipatory bail.

4. The Applicants, in the event of their arrest in connection with an offence which is registered with the Yavat Police Station vide C. R. No.218 of 2005 for the offence punishable under Sections 167, 464, 468, 420, 471 and 474 r/w 34 of the Indian Penal Code, they be released on bail in the sum of Rs.5,000/- each with one or two sureties in the like amount. The Applicants shall co-operate with the police in investigation of the said complaint.

5. This application is, accordingly, disposed of.

Sd/-

(V. M. KANADE, J.)